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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time, a petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and authorization to charge the requisite fee being enclosed.

In connection with the Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") filed concurrently herewith and in response to the final Office Action dated October 27, 2005, please amend the subject application as follows:

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